

Proclaiming Evidence for Truth

THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT

Cloudy with a Chance of Crayfish



Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven. (Acts 1:11b)

Though we are aware of no confirmed reports of meatballs falling from the sky during a rainstorm, there have been hundreds of reports of strange things falling from the clouds during strong storms.

According to the Weather Channel, one such instance happened in 2013 when live crabs fell on the community of Lynn Haven, Florida. Another storm of living creatures happened on June 28, 1957, near Thomasville, Alabama. This was when thousands of live fish, frogs, and crayfish fell from the sky during a heavy rain. It was thought that an F2 tornado fifteen miles to the south was responsible for this strange phenomenon.

Creationist Donald DeYoung writes about a storm in 1984 that dumped live six-inch flounder in a London suburb. Rains of flightless animals have been reported throughout history. In the first century AD, Roman naturalist Pliny the Elder documented storms of frogs and fishes. Indeed, the most common type of creature to fall from the sky is fish. It is thought that they get picked up by waterspouts and are then dropped over land, sometimes miles away.

While there are hundreds of stories like these from all over the world, the most unusual living creatures ever to appear out of the sky were horses of fire just before Elijah the prophet was taken up by a whirlwind into the heavens. But even that extraordinary historic event will pale in comparison to the return of Jesus Christ in the clouds.

Ref: "World's Strangest Weather Phenomena," The Weather Channel. "Has it ever rained frogs or fish?", 101 Questions and Answers About Weather and the Bible, D. DeYoung, p. 84, (Baker Books, 2014). Illustration: 1555 engraving of rain of fish.

Memorial



August 13, 2023

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This Week at Memorial

Sunday, August 13,2023 8:45am – Discipleship Classes 10:00am – Worship

8/14 - Preschool Starts

A Look Ahead

8/26 - Youth - Laser Tag

9/3 - Pastor Nathan Preaching

9/9 - Beast Feast

9/12 - Karate Begins

9/10-17 - Missouri Missions Wk. of Prayer

9/22 - L.I.F.T.

9/23 - Youth Activity - Zoo

Save the Date

11/7 - Veterans' Luncheon

Thank you for joining us for worship today. If you are visiting or have any prayer needs, please fill out an MBC Connect Card and place it in the offering plate.

August 13, 2023

Joy Junction

8:45am - Ben S. & Kim S. 10:00am Svc. - Barb G. & Russ G. Wed. - August 16 - Cindy S.

Junior Church

Jamie B. - Mariah R.

Kids Connection

PAUSED FOR SUMMER

Usher Ministry

8:45 - Sunday School - Kevin M. 10:00am - Tim R., Ed S., Jim S. Wed. - August 16 - Steve G.

August 20, 2023

Joy Junction

8:45am - Linda W.

10:00am Svc. - Julie C. & Cindy S.

Wed. - August 23 - Linda W.

Junior Church

Chris S. - Laura S.

<u>Kids Connection</u> PAUSED FOR SUMMER

Usher Ministry

8:45 - Sunday School - Joe G. 10:00am - Jesse W, Ryan W., Lester O. Wed. - August 23 - Ed S.

Light Academy Preschool Starts 8/14

Please keep the teachers, students, and their families in prayer as they begin the new school year.

Beast Feast

The Beast Feast will be September 9 and will include a 3d bow shoot, bait casting contest and kids' bb gun shoot. Outdoor activities are from 12:00pm - 4:00pm.

There will be a whole hog roast, fish fry, deer, turkey and other wild game at 5:00pm The guest speaker will be Mark Liggett.

We will need sides and desserts. If you plan to bring food, it must be cooked.

See the flyer on the bulletin board in the hallway near the sanctuary for further details.

Youth Laser Tag & Gaming

Youth will be going to Playtime Arcade in Wentzville August 26. Please arrive at the church by 12:45pm. The bus will leave at 1:00pm and return at 5:15pm. We will not be stopping for lunch, so please eat prior to departure time. The cost is \$30 for two hours of unlimited gaming that includes laser tag, mini bowling, rock climbinb wall and unlimited arcade.

Please contact Laura Smith at 636-234-4985 if you have questions.